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In re Patent Application of:
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For: ALKYLIDENE COMPLEXES OF
RUTHENIUM CONTAINING N-
HETEROCYCLIC CARBENE LIGANDS; USE
AS HIGHLY ACTIVE, SELECTIVE
CATALYSTS FOR OLEFIN METATHESIS

Examiner: N. Gonzalez

THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include two (2) sheets of drawings (Figures 1 and 2).

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.